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Special Weekend Screenings with U.S. Soccer Legend, and North Carolina Resident, Hope Solo to Unite Communities and Highlight the Vital Work of #SheBelongs for Girls and Refugees Everywhere

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This weekend, the fast-growing global movement #SheBelongs®, created by Utah-based social impact company, Refugee Soccer, will host two screenings of its critically acclaimed documentary film: #SheBelongs: The Movie. The film follows a special team of refugee and non-refugee young women to the 2023 Women's World Cup.

(See trailer here: <https://shebelongs.org/film>)

The mission of #SheBelongs is to use the binding power of soccer to catalyze belonging, champion equality, and celebrate the power of *every* girl on the smallest fields to the biggest stadiums in the world.

Both screenings will be co-hosted by global superstar and fierce champion of equality, Hope Solo, who knows all there is to know about playing in big stadiums all over the world.

“To be joined at these screenings by this incredible human who has as much fire now for social issues as she displayed in her playing career, positively earning her place in soccer history, is an absolute thrill for #SheBelongs®,” said Adam Miles, the girl-dad creator of #SheBelongs®.

This weekend marks an important moment for the expansion of #SheBelongs® across the United States as girls of all backgrounds face more uncertainty, marginalization, harassment, and violence. Watching this important film with such a passionate advocate of inclusion is a unique chance to stand up together in an effort to move us all a little bit closer to a world where every girl, everywhere has a fair shot at hitting her goals and achieving her dreams.



“I know this cause is bigger than me. I stand up for the next generation of girls. I fight for them before they even know there’s a fight to be fought.”



These two special screenings Friday, Dec, 5th at App State in Boone, NC, and Saturday, Dec 6th at UNC Asheville, are ideal for families, friends, teams, and communities to gather and be inspired by the power of young women connecting and growing into their power through the world's sport of soccer. And to be able to watch this beautiful story unfold with Hope Solo is a rare moment indeed. (Start time for both screenings is 6:30PM)

Local students of all ages, youth and collegiate soccer teams, parents and coaches, and community partners across Boone and Asheville will be in attendance.

Following the release of her revealing and impactful documentary on Netflix, Untold: Hope Solo vs. U.S. Soccer, Hope fearlessly led her new team, Solo FC, deep into the TST Tournament earlier this year in Cary, NC. Looking ahead, Hope continues to boldly build on her comeback with meaning by crafting a team of overlooked, unsung, and underappreciated heroines.

The timing of this new relationship between Hope and #SheBelongs® couldn't be better, and the moment for more inclusion and opportunity is right now, starting this weekend!

More details and tickets are available here: <https://shebelongs.org/film/screenings/hopesolo>

ABOUT #SHEBELONGS®

#SheBelongs® is the locally driven social-impact initiative of Refugee Soccer that uses soccer-centered leadership programs and community events to advance gender equity and belonging for young women globally—especially refugees. The program focuses squarely on the human in front of us and grows outward, connecting human to human so the movement can spread widely. The sequel to this film which covers the team's journey to Spain for its first ever Global HOPE Cup is in post-production due to be released in early Spring 2026.

Visit www.shebelongs.org and www.refugeesoccer.org to learn more.

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